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PATENT  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 06530.0311

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
Otto E. Anderhub et al. ) Group Art Unit: 3731  
Serial No.: 10/720,668 ) Examiner: DAWSON, GLENN K  
Filed: November 25, 2003 )  
For: Forceps and Collection Assembly ) Confirmation No.: 6222  
and Related Methods of Use and )  
Manufacture )

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

In an Office Action mailed November 30, 2006, the Examiner requested election of one of the following allegedly distinct inventions for prosecution.

- I. Claims 1-65, drawn to a forceps device; and
- II. Claims 66-86, drawn to a method of fabricating a cutting device.

Without necessarily agreeing with any of the assertions set forth in the Office Action, Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute claims 1-65 allegedly drawn to a forceps device, without traverse. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of claims 66-86 in another application, for example, any claiming priority to this application.

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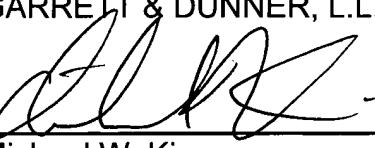
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Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 15, 2006

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